

REVOLUTIONARY WAR BATTLE

FORT FAIR LAWN, SC

NOVEMBER 17, 1781

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Col. Hezekiah Maham with 180 men and Col. Isaac Shelby with two hundred frontiersmen to attack Fair Lawn Plantation. On the way to Fair Lawn, Maham and Shelby passed another British post and attempted to entice the British cavalry out to fight. The British refused to be lured into a trap and the Patriots moved on, though the British horsemen followed Maham after they left. When the Patriots arrived at the Fair Lawn redoubt on the morning of the 17th, they found that the fort was too formidable to attack.

MAHAM/ SHELBY

Colleton
Castle

With British cavalry approaching from their rear, Maham and Shelby decided to attack the hospital at Colleton Castle. With riflemen covering Fort Fair Lawn, the Patriot cavalry boldly rode up to the building and demanded its surrender. After exchanging fire, the staff surrendered. Patriots captured 300 stands of arms, other stores, and 150 prisoners. Eighty of the prisoners were found able to walk and were taken back to Marion's camp. The rest of the prisoners were paroled.

Fort
Fair Lawn

Cooper River

LEGEND

TROOP MOVEMENTS

British	American
 First Phase	 American
 Second Phase	

LAND FEATURES & PRESERVATION

	18th-Century Woodline
	18th-Century Structures
	18th-Century Roads
	18th-Century Roads no longer in existence
	18th-Century Fences
	Modern Roads
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	Old Santee Canal Park

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